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State Parks' Indian Basket Collection Highlighted in Special Exhibit at San Francisco International Airport

WEST SACRAMENTO: Highlights of California State Parks' Indian basket collection are on display at San Francisco International Airport (SFO) through June.

The exhibit, entitled "The Art and Utility of California Indian Basketry," is located in the airport's new international wing. It includes 52 California Indian baskets representing the cream of the State Museum Resource Center's collection of 7,000 North American Indian baskets.

The exhibit was chosen to inaugurate the airport's new international wing, which opened in December, 2000. SFO staff estimates that between 8,000 and 12,000 people see the exhibit each day.

The exhibit will travel from the San Francisco airport to the Sacramento Central Library.

The State Museum Resource Center is located in West Sacramento near I-80 and I-5, just minutes from downtown Sacramento. Public tours of the facility are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call (916) 324-7002 to book a tour. Information is also available on the Internet at the State Parks homepage <http://cal-parks.ca.gov/> or go straight to <http://207.212.67.173:591/camrc/>.